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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The Senate adjourned yesterday after the reading of the President's message and announcement of the death of Senator-elect Hayward of Nebraska. —— Kurds massacreed 300 of the inhabitants of a village in Turkish Armenia. —— Movement to advance wages in cotton mills has become general in New England. —— The Pullman and the Wagner palace car companies have formed a combination. —— U. S. Senator Hayward died yesterday at Nebraska City. —— The bubonic plague is spreading in South America. —— Chili is on the eve of a financial crisis and possibly of revolution. —— The rush of bills in the House of Representatives yesterday was the greatest in the memory of House officials, the total being 861 bills, public and private and thirty resolutions. —— Gen. Hughes is extending his lines in Panay; the Filipino insurgents retreating to the mountains. —— Boers report slight loss in the battle at Modder river. —— Ice plant at St. Augustine destroyed by fire; loss $45,000. —— The Governor of South Carolina offers $200 reward for arrest of the Branchville express robbers. —— Two men fatally shot in a fight over a blockade whiskey wagon at Greenville, S. C. —— New York markets: Money on call firm at 6@8 per cent.; last loan being offered at 6 per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 7¼c; flour was fairly active and very steady on the basis of yesterday's prices, which jobbers met rather freely; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 73½c; corn—spot strong, No. 2 40½c; oats—spot firm, No. 2 29½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steadier at 51½@52c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 5.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 31 degrees; 8 P. M., 38 degrees; maximum, 44 degrees; minimum, 31 degrees; mean, 38 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .06.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, December 5.—For North Carolina—Fair Wednesday; warmer, except near the coast. Thursday fair; light to fresh southerly winds.

Port Almanac—Dec. 6.

Sun Rises	7 00 A. M.
Sun Sets	4 43 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H 43 M.
High Water at Southport	10 31 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	2.01 A. M.

Louisiana has four thousand miles of waterways, which it is said could be made navigable with a small expenditure of money.

Great Britain is spending $22,500,000 on 450 new guns for her navy. The range of those guns is much greater than of those now in use.

There are 20,340 breweries in Germany, which turn out about 1,400,000,000 gallons of beer annually, not much more, however, than the breweries of this country turn out.

A Parisian sculptor is in South Dakota making clay models of Indians for the Paris exposition. He gets his best models among the Sioux. The Sioux are the boss Indians.

There is no longer any doubt as to the feelings of the native Luzoners towards Americans for the dispatches tell us they welcome them with "brass bands." But our soldiers there have become accustomed to a good deal of roughness.

Admiral Schley writes Miss McClellan, who is engineering that house scheme, that a house coming to him from his "dear countrymen and women," will be a thing of beauty and a joy forever, or words to that effect. They all seem to be stuck on houses.

The latest concerning Mark Hanna is that his family and friends are becoming fearful for his health and for this reason he may retire from the active management of the Republican machine, but will still continue to help raise funds. As a fund propellor Mark is a daisy.

Dr. Wiley, chief chemist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, says the wood of the oak and hemlock tree may be used for tanning as well as the bark, and that when properly treated four times as much tannin may be extracted from the wood of a tree as from the bark.

When the town of Bethlehem, Pa., feeds tramps she requires them to pay for their food by breaking stone. As stone breaking is not a congenial occupation to the average tramp, he breaks from that town after the first meal and gives the town such a hard name that the other tramps he meets steer clear of it.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

A synopsis of the President's message is printed on the second page of the STAR to-day. It embraces all the leading points of the document in condensed shape, and besides enabling us to economize space it will be found more acceptable to the general reader than would the entire message of 22,000 words, which would make about sixteen columns of the STAR, or the abstract sent us, which would fill eight columns.

LOCAL DOTS.

— A meeting of the Piano Club will be held this morning at Van Lear's Music hall.

— There was a big frost and considerable ice yesterday morning. Yesterday was the coldest of the season.

— The Non Viri Whist Club was delightfully entertained last evening at the residence of Miss Bettie Johnson, No. 15 South Fifth street.

— The regular December german of L'Arios German Club will take place to-night at Germania Hall. The Haywood Band, of Raleigh, will play.

—The steamboats *Hawes* and *Hurt* were both in port yesterday, and cleared in the afternoon for their respective runs to Clear Run and Fayetteville.

— Wilmington Division Naval Reserves had a fine artillery drill last night. The Royal High Bouncers afterwards initiated several candidates into the mysteries of the "second degree"—a new one on the boys.

— The resident members of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity intend to organize an alumni association here and to this end will hold a meeting Thursday night. There are about twenty members in this city.

— The guaranteed regular every day circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington. This claim has never been challenged by any competing newspaper.

— Notifications are being mailed to delinquent privilege tax payers in the city that on December 10th, all those in arrears will be presented to the City Attorney for indictment, according to the ordinance touching this matter.

— Sheriff MacRae and his clerkial force are now at work "night and day" preparing the delinquent list of taxables for publication for sale in January. His deputies are also vigorously prosecuting the work of collecting poll tax.

— The Clyde steamship *Saginaw* arrived in port yesterday from New York. She is of 1,429 tons register and in charge of Capt. George S. Johnson. It is probable that she will remain on this run for some time. The *Oneida* returned yesterday to New York.

— Mr. W. R. Taylor conducted the regular monthly meeting of the Baptist Young People's Union last night. There was a good attendance and talks along the lines outlined by the prescribed subject were made by a number of the members present.

— Miss Marianna Gillican has arranged a delightful musicale to be given at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium Friday night for the benefit of Fifth Street M. E. Church. A splendid programme will be participated in by some of Wilmington's best vocalists.

— Several other bids were received yesterday for the scavanger privilege in the eight districts of the city. The bids have not yet been examined and the Superintendent of Health has decided to leave the matter open for further proposals for several days to come.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. Shrier—Opportunity.
John H. Hanby—Notice.
W. M. Cumming—For sale.
W. B. Cooper—Shoot your gun.
Hall & Pearsall—Christmas goods.
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Strongest.

Mr. Battle to Leave Us.

Mr. Lee H. Battle, cashier of the Atlantic National Bank, of this city, received a letter yesterday from Mr. J. M. Walker, president of the City National Bank, of Greensboro, N. C., notifying him that at a meeting of the board of directors of that bank on Monday he was unanimously elected cashier, to succeed Cashier R. G. Vaughn, resigned.

Mr. Battle has accepted the position which the Greensboro bank tendered him, and will leave Wilmington with his family about the 1st of January. He has been a resident of our city something over two years, during which time he has most ably filled the position of cashier in the Atlantic National Bank. He is very highly esteemed in Wilmington, both for his personal worth and high character as well as his fine business qualifications, and there will be genuine regret that he is to transfer the sphere of his usefulness to another field.

Freezing Temperature.

The Weather Bureau reports freezing temperature yesterday morning as far south as Northern Florida. The minimum temperature in Wilmington was 31 degrees, Charlotte 20, Raleigh 28.

BRILLIANT WEDDING.

Mr. Burruss Corprew, of Norfolk, and Miss Sue Lavinia Cumming Married Last Evening.

One of the most brilliant weddings that Wilmington has witnessed this season was that at the First Presbyterian Church yesterday evening at 5 o'clock Mr. Burruss Corprew, a prominent young gentleman of Norfolk, Va., led to the altar Miss Sue Lavinia Cumming, one of Wilmington's most highly esteemed young ladies, daughter of Mrs. Katherine Taylor Cumming, 318 South Third street, and the late Captain W. A. Cumming.

The wedding was witnessed by an immense assemblage of relatives, friends and acquaintances, and for the occasion the altar was magnificently decorated with royal palms, cocoa palms, ferns and rare potted plants. Miss Anna Sprunt presided at the organ and skillfully rendered the music, the waiting selections being a medley of sweet old airs. When the bridal party arrived, the bride and her attendants approached the altar down the main aisle to the strains of the Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin, while the groom and his best man entered at the Orange street door and joined the bride at the altar.

The bride approached the altar leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. W. M. Cumming, who gave her away. The Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., of Louisville, Ky., formerly pastor of the First Church here, performed the marriage service in a most impressive manner.

The bride was attired in a magnificent dress of white satin, en train, trimmed with white chiffon and point lace. She wore a tulle veil, garnished with real orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of bride roses and lilies of the valley.

The maid of honor was Miss Mary Lily Kenan, whose costume was white crepe de chene, trimmed with lace. Her bouquet was bride roses.

The first bridesmaid was Miss Elizabeth Burruss, of this city, who was dressed in white organdy, with trimmings of lace and blue ribbon. The bridesmaids were Miss Mary Cohn, of Norfolk, and Miss Elizabeth Bradenbaugh, of Parkersburg, W. Va., both of whom were dressed in blue crepe de chene, trimmed with chiffon. The bridesmaids carried Madame Chateau roses.

The ribbon girls were little Misses Ernestine and Ruth Bridgers, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Bridgers. Their dresses were blue organdie and they wore blue hats.

The best man was Mr. William C. Burruss, of Norfolk, cousin of the groom, and the groomsmen were Messrs. Edwin Corprew, brother of the groom, Woodson C. Cobb and H. Tyler Smith, all of Norfolk.

Messrs. Richard Bradley, Thos. H. Wright, T. W. Davis and Charles G. Elliott, Jr., held the ribbons in the aisles, and the ushers were Capt. E. W. Van Court Lucas, and Messrs. J. W. Carmichael, W. A. Dick, of Wilmington, and R. S. French, of Charleston. The gentlemen wore full dress suits and boutonnierres of Madame Chateau roses.

The bridal party retired from the church while Mendelssohn's wedding march was played, and the bells were merrily rung.

At 5:50 P. M., Mr. Corprew and his bride took the Atlantic Coast Line train for a trip to Washington, New York, Boston and other Northern cities. They will return by Christmas and will make their home in Norfolk. Their presents were numerous and valuable and came from friends in many cities in this and other States.

In the party which went North last night with the bride and groom was Mr. H. M. Flagler, of New York, the Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., Capt. W. R. Kenan, Miss Sarah Kenan, and Miss Peck. They went in Mr. Flagler's private car, which came in yesterday from the South.

THE MASONIC FAIR.

The Receipts From the Country Store and the Various Booths During the Entertainment—The Total $5,654.64.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Thos. F. Bagley, the STAR furnishes below a detailed report of the receipts from the country store and the various booths, during the two weeks of the Masonic Fair:

Concord Chapter Booth	$ 347.16
St. John's Booth	861.56
Commandery Booth	405 71
Wilmington Lodge Booth	741.14
Orient Lodge Booth	469 15
Country Store Booth	1,114 00
Shrine Booth	417 15
Lemonade Booth	215.31
Flower Booth	92.78
Candy Booth	56.42
Door receipts	185.75
Cloak Room	22 00
Dancing	112.80
Supper Room	313 65
Ice Cream	138.45
Miscellaneous	161.61
Total	$5,654.64

Georgia Negro Minstrels.

Last night at the Opera House the famous Richards & Pringle's—Rusco & Hollands—combination performed before a large audience. The entertainment while savoring of the minstrel was more on the order of a "continuous performance" and was rendered in such a manner as to keep the audience in an uproar of laughter, The singing was of a high order, the jokes clean and bright and the entire programme rendered in an artistic manner.

Billy Kersands and Harry Fidler deserve special mention. Their work being of a high order, particularly so in the role of impersonators.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Congressman Small Endorsed for Membership of River and Harbor Committee. Fayetteville Endorses Him.

A special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday at 10.30 A. M. in the rooms of the Chamber, in the Seaboard Air Line building.

President Worth stated that the meeting had been called to consider the advisability of endorsing the Hon. John H. Small, Congressman from the First District of North Carolina, for appointment as a member of the River and Harbor Committee. He stated that Mr. Small was an aspirant for the position, as he represented a district with 3,000 worth of waterways, 300 miles of seacoast and embracing 20 rivers. Mr. Small, he stated, had been endorsed by the North Carolina delegation for the position, and he reminded the Chamber of Mr. Small's recent inspection of the Cape Fear river and our harbor in company with Capt. E. W. VanC. Lucas, Capt. George L. Morton and Congressman elect John D. Bellamy.

On motion of Mr. G. J. Boney, the following was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives be requested by this body to appoint Hon. John H. Small, representing the First North Carolina District, to membership on the River and Harbor Committee."

The president of the Chamber was authorized to telegraph the Speaker of the House, Congressman Bellamy and the other North Carolina representatives of this action and request that the latter urge Mr. Small's appointment.

President Worth read a letter from Mr. F. R. Rose, Secretary of the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, requesting that the Wilmington Chamber co-operate with the Fayetteville Chamber in securing the improvement of the upper Cape Fear.

On motion, President Worth was instructed to telegraph the Fayetteville Chamber that this body has endorsed Congressman Small, and request the Fayetteville body to do the same as the best step towards obtaining what this section desires of the river and harbor committee.

The Rev. J. W. Craig called attention to the desirability of having correspondence from Wilmington in the *Marine Journal*, of New York. This matter was laid over till the regular meeting to-morrow afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

A telegram received from Secretary Rose yesterday afternoon stated that the Fayetteville Chamber received the telegram and had endorsed Mr. Small.

NORTH CAROLINA APPROPRIATIONS.

Some Estimates Recommended to Congress for Government Improvements.

Secretary Gage in his estimates to Congress asks for the following appropriations which will interest North Carolinians:

Charlotte assay office, $2.750 for officers; workmen's wages, $1,080; contingent, $920; additional for Cherokee school, $200. Total for school, $27.850; Elizabeth City public building, $25,000; Winston building, $25,000; Wilmington Marine Hospital, $1,000; allows purchase $500 worth material works and journals.

Cape Lookout shoals light vessel, $90,000; Cape Fear range light "additional" $3,105.

Norfolk and North Carolina waterways, $200.000.

Inland waterway through Currituck Sound, $23,467 08; Black River, $2.000; Cape Fear, above Wilmington, $22,000; at and below Wilmington, $200,000; Contentnea Creek, $10,500; Fishing Creek, $2,000; Beaufort and New River inland waterway, $8,500; New River, $1,000; Northeast Cape Fear, $2,000; Pamlico and Tar Rivers, $32,500; Town Creek, $1,000; Trent, $1,500; Neuse, $6,000; Waccamaw River, $3,000.

THE CABLE MONOPOLY.

The Produce Exchange Adopts a Resolution About the Cuban Monopoly.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of managers of the Produce Exchange was held yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the rooms of the Exchange, President H. G. Smallbones presided, and Secretary John L. Cantwell was at his post.

r. H. W. McCall, manager for Swift & Co's Wilmington house, was elected a member of the board to succeed Mr. Charles E. Borden, who resigned a few months ago to go to Richmond, Va.

It was resolved as the sense of the board that the monopoly of cable communication with Cuba should cease and permission be given looking to telegraphic communication by other telegraph and cable companies to and from that island. The secretary was instructed to communicate this action to our representative in Congress, the Hon. John D." Bellamy, and request his best efforts in their behalf.

Market Street M. E. Church.

It is understood that Rev. J. W. Potter, a brother-in-law of Mr. W. J. Penny of this city, and now of the North Georgia Methodist Conference, will be transferred to the pastorate of Market Street M. E. Church. Rev. A. S. Barnes, former pastor of the church, will be assigned to a new charge at the session of conference at Washington this week, an arrangement to this effect having been already effected with the Bishop and Presiding Elder.

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency has excellent facilities for selling farms and timbered lands. It advertises all property and makes only a nominal charge unless a sale is made. For terms etc., address R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N. C.

BOARD AUDIT AND FINANCE.

Appropriation by Aldermen for Road Machinery and Fire Alarm Tower Approved—Other Matters.

The City Board of Audit and Finance was in session only a short time last night, but several matters of importance were disposed of during the meeting, notable among them being concurrence in the appropriation by the Board of Aldemen for the erection of a bell tower and for the purchase of a rock crusher and other machinery needed for the extensive street improvement contemplated by the city in the near future.

It will be remembered that these appropriations came up at a previous meeting of the Board but were deferred for conferences with the heads of the committees from the Aldermen, under whose auspices the measures reached maturity.

Another matter of importance was the consideration of the appropriation of $350 made at Monday night's session of the Board of Aldermen for the purchase of a patrol wagon, horse, harness and other equipments for this service. It was referred to the chairman and he was instructed to consult with the Police committee relative to the same. It is understood from private sources that an amount for this purpose will be allowed.

Abatement by the Aldermen in the tax of the capital stock of the Johnson Dry Goods Co., from $20,000 to $15,000 was concurred in. In the abatement of the tax on the property of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company, the matter was referred back to the Aldermen, it being understood by the board that the County Commissioners have valued the property of the company at $1,200 in New Hanover couaty.

The bill of the Western Union Telegraph Company, in the sum of $3.65, telegraph tolls by the chief of police in the arrest of a supposed forger at Newbern, was approved.

Bills were audited and approved as follows: Current expenses, $3,802 67; city attorney, commission in collection of back taxes, $322.91. Total, $4,125 58.

At the meeting, which was held last night at 8 o'clock, Mr. H. C McQueen presided, and Messrs. S. P. McNair and W. A. Riach were present, as was also Capt John Cowan, the genial and capable clerk.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. D. Beatty, of Beatty's Bridge, was in the city yesterday.

— Our versatile friend from "Quercus" was a welcome visitor at the STAR office last evening.

— Mr. W. B. Cooper left yesterday for Washington, N. C., to attend the session of the North Carolina M. E. Conference.

— Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Carter, of Dublin, Ga., were in the city yesterday en route to Fort Anderson to visit Mrs. Carter's father, Mr. Wm. Martin, of that place.

— The Rev. Dr. Peyton H. Hoge, of Louisville, Ky., who came here Saturday and preached to his former congregation at the First Presbyterian Church on Sunday and officiated at the Corprew-Cumming nuptials last evening, returned home last night.

— Mr. R. C. Howard left for Fayetteville Tuesday morning to take a position as prescription clerk with Mr. N. E. Bunting. Mr. Charles Elliott, now with Mr. N. E. Bunting, will be down in a day or two to take Mr. Howard's place with Mr. J. Hicks Bunting.

LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

The Benevolent Society extends hearty thanks to the following friends for kind remembrances during the past month and particularly for the Thanksgiving offerings. We are very grateful for and appreciative of these evidences of the interest of our people in the Home, and feel that we have especial reason for returning thanks to our Heavenly Father who has hitherto enabled us to care for these dependent ones through the generosity of friends, His instruments in the furtherance of this and all other good work in our midst:

Mrs. R. M. McIntire, Mrs. E. B. King, Mrs. Bridgers, Mrs. Wm. Monroe, Mrs. E. Toon, a friend, Mrs. Wm. French, Mrs. D. C. Whitted, Mrs. C. Davis, Mrs. A. L. Heide, package with no name, Mrs. Anna Sprunt, an oyster supper, Mrs. J. L. Cantwell, a friend, Mrs. E. A. King, Mrs. Carl Mahler, a friend, Mrs. W. H. Yopp, Mrs. B. F. Hall, a friend, Mr. H. L. Fentress, Mrs. J. L. Cantwell, Mr. W. A. Whitehead a sack of coffee, Mrs. Phil Pearsall an ice cream treat, a friend, Mr. A. Weill barrel flour, Mrs. Walter Parsley a turkey, a friend, Mrs. A. D. McClure, Miss Puss Hancock, Mrs. Roger Moore, Mr. J. F. Garrell, Mr. J. Hicks Bunting, Miss Louisa Hill, a friend through Rev. Dr. Strange $25.

The regular monthly meeting will be held next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock; all members are requested to attend.

Sharpie Sold.

A record of the sale of the sharpie *Mystery* by Capt. R. M. Capps to P. L. Swain was yesterday filed for registration at the Custom House. The *Mystery* was built in 1894; is of 5 tons burthen and is 37 feet long. The consideration was $125. Capt. D. L. Hewitt was formerly master of the vessel, which is used in the coasting trade.

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency will sell for cash, or will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington, a farm of 272 acres, three miles from Rose Hill. Address R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N.C.

County Road Improvement.

There was another meeting yesterday afternoon of the board of County Commissioners for the purpose of discussing road and fence matters, but nothing official could be secured for publication as the members prefer to keep their own counsel until some definite conclusions are reached. It is understood, however, that the board now proposes to get at once to the bottom of the road question and place the law in practical operation as early as possible. To this end another meeting will be held this afternoon, when the matter will be further discussed.

At the meeting yesterday afternoon were present, of the Commissioners, Col. Roger Moore (chairman), and Messrs. W. F. Alexander and Gabriel Holmes. There were also present Superintendent Hutchinson, who has charge of the road improvement at Charlotte, and others from whom the board sought information as to methods of inaugurating the new system.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Bids will be received by the Committee on Public Buildings of the Board of Aldermen until December 21st, 1899, for the rent of the Opera House for two (2) years from June 1st, 1900. Contract to be executed and bond for rent given by lessee.

The committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
JONH H. HANBY,
dec 6 4t Chairman.

Bladen Co. Plantation for Sale.

I will sell my Bladen Place located about eight miles from Clarkton and five miles from Elizabethtown, for Three Thousand Dollars. Contains 780 acres, of which 200 acres are under cultivation. Terms Fifteen Hundred Dollars cash, balance in one, two and three years, with interest at six per cent. Write
MRS. SALLIE BIZZELL,
dec 27t Elizabethtown, N. C.

FOR SALE

A Desirable Building Lot on Princess street.
Also, a House and Lot on Orange street.

CUMMING

dec 6 tf Real Estate Agent and Notary Public.

ORDERS SOLICITED

For Christmas Goods.

Candies, Nuts, Raisins,
C. C. Nuts, Apples,
Cakes,
Fireworks, &c.

HALL & PEARSALL,
WHOLESALE GROCERS.
dec 6 tf

It Is You I Speak To

In regard to an up-to-date line of HOLIDAY GIFTS. Ladies as well as Gentlemen are requested to investigate quality as well as prices.

Watches, Clocks,
Jewelry and Jewelry Novelties.

Fine Repairing a Specialty.

J. T. BURKE,
dec 5 1m No. 27 South Front street.

WE HAVE EVERYTHING NICE AND FRESH FOR THANKSGIVING. REMEMBER US AS WE SHALL REMEMBER THE POOR.
PALACE BAKERY.
nov 29 tf

Shoot Your Gun!

150 Boxes Firecrackers.
5,000 C. C. Nuts.
1,400 Pounds Fancy Candy.
3,800 Pounds Mixed Candy.
125 Pounds Caramels.
140 Barrels Apples.
1,800 Pounds Loose Raisins,
1,500 Pounds L. L. Raisins.
900 Barrels Flour.
180 Bags Coffee,
240 Dozen Oysters.

W. B. COOPER,
Wholesale Grocer,
dec 6 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Vollers & Hashagen.

PROVISIONS.

In addition to our usual line, we offer

2,000 Bushels Texas Red Rust Proof Oats.
400 Bbls Choice September MULLETS.

The above is being closed out LOW DOWN

The very best sold in this town for.... 5c are Cuban Blossom and Renown Cigars.

You can't find their match. Try 'em one time.

VOLLERS & HASHAGEN,
nov 26 tf Agents for Mills and Factories.

"THE WILMINGTON SAVINGS & TRUST CO."

has paid $22,125.20 in interest to depositors within the last year. DID YOU GET ANY OF IT? If not, make a deposit in

THIS BANK, THE STRONGEST SAVINGS BANK IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Depositors are requested to present their books to have interest entered for quarter ending December 1st, 1899.

J. W. NORWOOD, PRESIDENT. H. WALTERS, VICE-PRESIDENT.
dec 6 tf JAS. S. WORTH, ACTING CASHIER.

Specialties at---

J. B. & J. C. KING'S THIS WEEK.

CELERY, NICE BREAKFAST STRIPS AT... 10c | NICE HAMS AT.... 12 1-2c

J. B. & J. C. KING,
dec 5 tf 131-135 Market Street.

Fireworks and Toys,

Largest stock & lowest prices

—AT—

J. H. REHDER & CO'S.,

nov 26 tf Nos. 615, 617 and 619 North Fourth street.

Santa Claus is coming.

And we are ready to meet him with a beautiful line of Toys and Holiday Goods to please the little folks. We also have a nice line of Dress Goods to show you. A beautiful line Wool Plaids at 39c per yard. A nice line of Silks and Satins at 50c per yard. We have a pretty line of Furs at 10c and 15c per yard; also, Jet Braids of all kind for Trimming.

We carry a good line of Gents' and Boys' Clothing. Ladies' Capes at 50c, 75c, $1.50 up to $4.00. Children's Jackets $1.25 to $3.50. A nice lot of Handkerchiefs—Lawn, Linen and Silk—for Xmas presents. We can show you a nice lot of Ribbon from 5c to 50c per yard. Embroidery from 5c to 25c per yard.

We have a large stock of Shoes of all kinds. We can suit you in Shoes, Blankets, Comforts, to suit the times. Children's Tam O'Shanta Caps at 25c to 35c.

Bring your card and have it punched with all cash purchases.

C. O. GAYLORD'S Branch Store,

J. H. BOYD, Manager. Corner Fourth and Campbell Streets.
Bell 'Phone 557. dec 3 tf

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY. FOR 10 DAYS MORE WE WILL CONTINUE THE

10 per cent. discount.

OFF ALL REGULAR PRICED GOODS IN THE CLOTHING AND OVERCOAT DEPARTMENT.

All Goods marked in Plain Figures.

A. SHRIER, OUTFITTER To Mankind.
dec 3 tf

The C. W. Polvogt Co.

No. 9 North Front Street.

We have on display our HOLIDAY GOODS

and our store is decorated for the coming holidays.

Full assortment of Toys, Chinaware, Glassware, Games, Fancy Goods, Linens, Neckwear, Gloves and Hosiery.

Special Sale of Underwear, Blankets & Comforts

We have the largest assortment of Carpets, Rugs and Mattings in the State to select from.

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

Sole agents for W. B. Corsets and Standard Patterns. nov 26 tf

Change of Business.

WE ARE GOING TO MAKE A CHANGE IN OUR BUSINESS, AND OFFER OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF

Hardware, Cutlery, Guns, House Furnishing Goods, Wilson Heaters, &c., &c., at COST.

Nothing charged. ALL CASH.

Owen F. Love & Co.

nov 17 tf

LEAVE YOUR ORDER FOR THAT XMAS SUIT

this week, and we will give you the handsomest and best fitting Suit you have ever worn. We have just received per Express a handsome line of Vecunas, Thibets, Unfinished Worsted and Cassimere Suitings for the Holiday trade. If you are wanting a Suit it will be to your advantage to see them. Underwear this week AT COST. Our line of Neckwear and Furnishing Goods will CATCH YOUR EYE.

M. H. CURRAN,
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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

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A SCHEME WITH A STRING TO IT.

The Republican financiers in the House of Representatives have a "currency reform" scheme, which steers clear of the banking question, touching it only so far as to make provision for a slightly increased volume of national bank notes, provided the national banks see fit, or find it to their interest, to avail themselves of that provision. Without discussing the essential point in this scheme, that is the declaration for the single gold standard, the glaring defect in it is that it leaves the currency question about where it is now, and makes no provision for a material increase in the volume of currency to meet extraordinary demands, but leaves the country dependent upon the national banks, which expire by limitation upon the maturity of the Government bonds upon which their circulation rests.

The absurdity of leaving the country which is growing as rapidly as this is, whose volume of business has attained such colossal proportions, dependent upon a banking system which is but temporary, and in its origin was so intended to be, is apparent to any one who has given any thought to this subject, and has elicited no little well-deserved criticism. In explanation of this it has been said that the intention is to pass this bill, and later formulate and take up for consideration a banking bill. What scheme they have in view to build up banks, we do not know, for if they have any the public has not been favored with any outlines of it. In this connection the following, which we clip from the Washington correspondence of the New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin*, is interesting and also suggestive. It says:

"The fact that a plan for refunding the National debt will be incorporated in the Senate Financial bill is arousing much interest among financiers and members of Congress. The details of the plan have not yet been made public, but the information that the refunding rate will be 2½ per cent., throws considerable light upon the proposition. It will be necessary, if the refunding process takes effect at once, to fix by law the rates at which the outstanding bonds shall be exchanged for the new bonds or to give power on the subject to the Secretary of the Treasury. The exchange can not be made compulsory in the case of the long term bonds, and in order to make the refunding successful, rates will have to be fixed which are attractive to the holders of the bonds.

The adoption of an interest rate of 2½ per cent. upon the new bonds is not a surprise to those who have opposed a lower rate upon the ground that the bonds could not be successfully floated at par. There has been serious discussion of issuing a 2 per cent bond, but the high rates for money in Europe and the active demand in the United States finally decided the committee on the higher rate. European Governments do not insist so strenuously as the United States upon keeping their bonds constantly above par in the money market. Russian, Belgian and Prussian 2 per cents. have recently dropped below par or fluctuated about the par point, not because any discredit has been thrown upon the issuing Governments, but because of the attractions to capital held out by industrial enterprises offering higher dividends.

"The question whether a 2 per cent. bond could be floated at par was discussed a good deal by the Senate Committee and the feeling prevailed that it would be better to issue a 2½ per cent. bond at a premium than a lower bond, which might occasionally drop below par, as has been the experience with the continued 2s issued by Secretary Windom.

"It is reported that the Senate Committee on Finance expect the refunding bonds to be popular as the basis of bank note circulation, but that they will not authorize circulation to the par value of the bonds. They would have reason for conservatism upon the latter point if there were any probability that the bonds would fall close to par. The principal of a bond-secured circulation implies an absolute guaranty for the face of the notes by means of the bonds, and many of the supporters of a bond-secured note system scoff at the idea that any portion of the security for the notes should consist of commercial assets.

"Notwithstanding the continuance of the existing margin of 10 per cent in the face of the bonds above the authorized note issues, it is considered that the new bonds will stimulate an increase in the bank note circulation. The bonds will not cost so much as an original investment, they will permit a larger circulation upon a given amount invested and they will not require so large an allowance for loss upon the premium as the bonds approach maturity. All these items will add to the profit upon a bond-secured circulation and may therefore induce banks to purchase bonds as a basis for note issues beyond their present holdings.

"The Senate committee, moreover, will probably accept the House provision that the tax upon bank note circulation shall be shifted to capital, surplus and undivided profits. This abolishes the tax on circulation, so far as the taking out of the notes adds to the tax imposed. There is opposition in some quarters to any refunding plan which involves the payment of a premium to the bondholders, even though the transaction involves a large net saving to the Treasury.

"This opposition is based purely upon political expediency and would not lie against granting authority to the Secretary of the Treasury to exchange the old bonds upon their maturity in 1904 and 1907 for new bonds at par at a reduced rate. This would make a favorable showing as to future saving, without raising any question regarding the payment of premiums."

This is ostensibly a scheme to refund the national debt, but isn't it a scheme with a string to it? As we have been adding considerably to the national debt for several years past and will have added considerably more by the time we have got our new acquisitions quieted down, refunding may become not only expedient but a matter of necessity; but isn't there something else in this scheme besides the refunding of the national debt? The question has been asked, what is the country to do for banks when the bonds are called in, and how much note circulation can be expected on bonds commanding a high premium? Of course if the debt be refunded the bonds issued in place of the bonds now out will be long time bonds, thirty years or longer, which would proportionately perpetuate the banking system based upon bonds if there were no legislation to the contrary, and the low rate of interest making the bonds less desirable for speculation might give a larger note circulation, as suggested, so that one thing here in view is providing for the extension of the life of the national banks, the other for more national bank notes, and thus the connection of the Government with the banking system is to be indefinitely continued, and a system that was originally intended to be but temporary will become a fixture of long duration.

The National banks are the creation of Republican financiers and the Republican party is rather proud of their work, so proud of it that the representatives of that party are not going to let the life go out of that system if they can prevent it and they will resort to anything practical to keep life in it. This, doubtless, is as much of a factor in this bond scheme as the re-funding of the bonds. These Republican statesmen do not like State banks, because they want to have all our money emanate from Washington, all the banks operated under national laws, and the money centers in the North, as they have been and will continue to be under the present financial system. The establishment of State banks would be an effective solution of the currency problem, but there is little hope for that unless the constitutionality of the tax on State bank note issues be brought before the U. S. Supreme Court and it should sustain the contention of those who hold that the taxing act is unconstitutional.

AN OBJECT LESSON.

There are some protectionists who are either deficient in sense themselves, or who presume on the credulity of others, who assert that a protective tariff does not foster trusts or raise the price of things to consumers. There isn't a day that we haven't object lessons to the contrary, and there is no person who buys goods and gives any attention to the movements of prices and the working of tariffs who doesn't know to the contrary. The following which we find in the Charleston *News and Courier* is an object lesson showing how it works on borax:

"What Republican protection means to the trusts is clearly shown by the Indianapolis *Sentinel* by one example of their use of it: 'When McKinley increased the duty on borax in 1890, the borax trust promptly raised the price of refined borax from 8¼ to 9½ cents per pound. When Wilson in 1894 reduced the duty from 5 to 2 cents per pound the trust lowered the price from 8 to 5 cents. When Dingley in 1897 put the duty back to 5 cents per pound the trust raised the price to 7½ cents, where it has been held during the past year.' What the process means to the people of this country is shown by one positive fact. The same trust sells borax in Europe for 3½ cents—less than half of the price exacted at home."

Do the borax shippers ship their stuff to foreign markets and sell it for one half the price they exact from home purchasers, just for fun? Not much. There are plenty of other ways for them to amuse themselves. They a make a fair profit on what they ship abroad or they wouldn't ship it, and if they make a fair profit on that then they must make a very large profit on what they sell at home at double the price.

But there are scores of other things which are shipped abroad and sold for less than the price demanded for the same articles sold in this country, which, of course, could and would not be done if it were not for the monoply the protective tariff gives the protected. This is so apparent now that it seems incredible that any one would have the cheek to dispute it.

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FOR ALL LUNG TROUBLE

THE PAPER TRUSTS

Every bit of paper made and sold in this country now is controlled by a trust, the biggest, most grasping and most merciless of which is the printing paper trust, which is coining millions annually out of the newspapers of the country. This trust can't put in the regulation plea that the increased prices have been made necessary by the increased cost of the raw material, for it owns unlimited areas of soft woods such as pulp is made out of, and if it pays any higher wages than it formerly paid this is a mere cipher in comparison with the advance it has made on the prices charged publishers for the paper furnished. It seems that an effort will be made to secure some relief from this grinding monopoly, as we gather from the following clipped from the New York *World*:

"A demand will be made upon Congress at the coming session for a repeal of the duty on woodpulp and a reduction of the tariff on printing paper, which will test the sincerity of the Republicans in saying that they are opposed to duties which foster trusts and protect monopolies.

"It will be shown that neither of these duties is required for the protection of American industries, as our manufacturers actually makes paper so much more cheaply than it can be made elsewhere that they export it and boast of their ambition to control the paper trade of the world.

It will be shown further than the International Paper trust owns nearly all of the available spruce timber in the United States and controls all or nearly all the water supply contiguous to this pulp wood. In its heedless greed it is destroying our "protected" forests, and thus not only exhausting the pulp material but imparing the water supply. The real protection to our forests will come through admitting free the pulp made from the almost limitless supply of spruce in Canada, British America and Northern Europe.

The duty on paper is a tax on intelligence, a premium upon monopoly, the bulwark of a trust. If Congress shall permit this exaction to continue there is no robber-tax that need fear disturbance.

The movement will doubtless have pretty strong supporters when it comes before Congress, for there is not a newspaper in the United States which is not more or less interested in it, and it will be then seen whether the public sentiment as voiced by the press, or the trust, will have the most influence on the statesmen. Of course, without a protective tariff on timber, and on wood pulp this paper trust could not cut the wide swath it does, for without this it would have to compete with the paper makers of other countries, and its monopoly of this market would be broken. As it is the newspaper publisher is at the mercy of this soulless, grinding monopoly, for he must pay the prices it demands, and grin and bear it, for he can't raise his subscription price, if he would, or his advertising rates, or prices for job work, and thus put the burden on his patrons, as is done in other lines of business, which find themselves heavily taxed by trusts. He has to bear it all himself and the trust knows it, and still keeps on bleeding as if it was after the last drop.

BOOK NOTICES.

The Atlantic Monthly for December presents a fine and varied list of contents, which the reader will find both entertaining and instructive. The leading article is on "The Briton and the Boer in South Africa." Published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 11 East Seventeenth street, New York.

With other interesting matter presented in the November number of *The University Magazine* is an interesting sketch of John Lucas, and "Scotch Traits in Thomas Carlyle," which won for the writer, Mr. L. R Wilson, the Hume medal. Address University Magazine, Chapel Hill, N. C.

The net profits of the "Franklin syndicate," managed by the fugacious Miller, were $414,180, or more than $80,000 a week. The only capital invested was cheek.

The single rail plan is soon to be tried between Manchester and Liverpool, England, a distance of forty miles, which is to be made by the trains in twenty minutes. For time-snatching this ought to satisfy any reasonable person.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Stirring events may be happenings behind the veil which the censors have drawn between South Africa and the outer world. So strict is the embargo on news from that quarter that as little can be surmised of what is going on there as if the seat of war had been removed to the father side of the moon.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— Football isn't quite as crazy a craze as it was a few years ago. The deaths for this season, caused by enthusiastic slugging, number but four, as we have kept the account. How many young fellows have been permanently injured, of course, we do not know. The game is probably played in more civilized fashion, than it used to be, but it is thoroughly a brutal "sport," that ought to be abolished.—*Chattanooga Times, Dem.*

A Thousand Tongues

Could not express the rapture of Annie E Springer, of 1125 Howard street, Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed. †

PRESIDENT SENDS IN HIS MESSAGE.

The Document Was Read in Both Houses of the Congress Yesterday.

ITS MOST PROMINENT POINTS.

Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii, the Philippine Islands—Army and Navy—The Currency—Maintenance of the Gold Standard — Exports and Imports—Revenues.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

The Message of President McKinley to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, after mentioning the death of Vice President Hobart, continues, in part, as follows:

"The Fifty sixth Congress convenes in its first regular session with the country in a condition of unusual prosperity, of universal good will among the people at home and in relations of peace and friendship with every government of the world. Our foreign commerce has shown great increase in volume and value. The combined imports and exports for the year are the largest ever shown by a single year in all our history. Our exports for 1899 alone exceeded by more than a billion dollars our imports and exports combined in 1870. The imports per capita are 20 per cent. less than in 1870, while the exports per capita are 58 per cent. more than in 1870, showing the enlarged capacity of the United States to satisfy the wants of its own increasing population as well as to contribute to those of the peoples of other nations.

"For the fiscal year the expenditures were $700,093,564 02, leaving a deficit of $89,111,559 67.

"The Secretary of the Treasury estimates that the receipts for the current fiscal year will aggregate $640,958,122, and upon the basis of present appropriations the expenditures will aggregate $600,958 112, leaving a surplus of $40 000 000.

"For the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1899, the internal revenue receipts were increased about $100,000,000."

The President refers to the national banking act and urges that national banks be authorized to organize with a capital of $25.000. He says that in its earlier history the national banking act seemed to prove a reasonable avenue through which needful additions to the circulation of gold from time to time be made. Changing conditions have apparently rendered it now inoperative to that end. The high margin in bond securities required, resulting from large premiums which government bonds command in market, or the tax on note issues, or both, operating together, appear to be the influences which impair its public utility.

The Gold Standard.

Concerning the gold standard, the President says:

"I urgently recommend that to support the existing gold standard, and to maintain the parity in value of the coins of the two metals (gold and silver) and the equal power of every dollar at all times in the market and in the payment of debts,' the Secretary of the Treasury be given additional power and charged with the duty to sell United States bonds and to employ such other effective means as may be necessary to these ends. The authority should include the power to sell bonds on long and short time, as conditions may require, and should provide for a rate of interest lower than that fixed by the act of January 14th, 1875 While there is now no commercial fright which withdraws gold from the government but, on the contrary, such widespread confidence that gold seeks the treasury demanding paper money in exchange, yet the very situation points to the present as the most fitting time to make adequate provision to insure the continuance of the gold standard and of public confidence in the ability and purpose of the government to meet all its obligations in the money which the civilized world recognizes as the best.

"I this connection I repeat my former recommendations that a portion of the gold holding shall be placed in a trust fund from which greenbacks shall be redeemed upon presentation, but when once redeemed shall not thereafter be paid out except for gold."

Our Merchant Marine.

The strengthening of an American merchant marine is suggested. There is no lack of constitutional authority for legislation which shall give to the country maritime strength commensurate with its industrial achievements and with its rank among the nations of the earth. The President is satisfied the judgment of the country favors the policy of aid to our merchant marine, which will broaden our commerce and upbuild our sea carrying capacity for the products of agriculture and manufacture; which, with the increase of our navy means much more work and wages to our countrymen as well as a safeguard to American interest in every part of the world.

Concerning Trusts.

The President next discusses the question of trusts, on which he says:

"Combinations of capital organized into trusts to control the conditions of trade among our citizens, to stifle competition, limit production, and determine the prices of products used and consumed by the people, are justly provoking public discussion, and should early claim the attention of Congress.

"It is universally conceded that combinations which engross or control the market of any particular kind of merchandise or commodity necessary to the general community, by suppressing natural and ordinary competition, whereby prices are unduly enhanced to the general consumer, are obnoxious not only to the common law, but to the public welfare. There must be a remedy for the evils involved in such organizations. If the present law can be extended more certainly to control or check these monopolies or trusts, it should be done without delay.

"The whole question is so important and far reaching that I am sure no part of it will be lightly considered, but every phase of it will have the studied deliberation of the Congress, resulting in wise and judicious action."

Foreign Relations.

Passing to our relations with foreign states, the work of the State Department for the past year is thoroughly reviewed.

The Isthmian Canal Commission, which was organized under the terms of the act approved March 3rd, 1899, for the purpose of examining the American isthmus with a view to determining the most practicable and feasible route for a ship canal across the isthmus, is at work and has made good progress. Regarding this matter the President says:

"The great importance of this work cannot be too often or too strongly pressed upon the attention of Congress. In my message of a year ago, I expressed my views of the necessity of a canal which would link the two great oceans, to which I again invite your consideration. The reasons then presented for early action are even stronger now."

The President renews his recommendations for an appropriation for a commission to study the commercial and industrial conditions in the Chinese Empire and report as to the opportunities for, and obstacles to, the enlargement of markets in China for the raw products and manufactures of the United States. The importance of this subject has steadily grown and no time has been lost in studying for ourselves the resources of this great field for American trade and enterprise.

"Our relations with Germany continue to be most cordial. The increasing intimacy of direct association has been marked during the year by the granting permission in April for the landing on our shores of a cable from Borkum Emden, on the North Sea, by way of the Azores, and also by the conclusion on September 2nd of a Parcels Post Convention with the German Empire. In all that promises closer relations of intercourse and commerce and a better understanding between two races having so many traits in common, Germany can be assured of the most cordial co-operation of this government and people.

Great Britain and the Boers.

"This government has maintained an attitude of neutrality in the unfortunate contest between Great Britain and the Boer States of Africa. We have remained faithful to the precept of avoiding entangling alliances as to affairs not of our direct concern. Had circumstances suggested that the parties to the quarrel would have welcomed any kindly expression of the hope of the American people that war might be averted, good offices would have been gladly tendered. The United States representative at Pretoria was early instructed to see that all neutral American interests be respected by the combatants. This has been an easy task, in view of the positive declarations of both British and Boer authorities that the personal and property rights of our citizens should be observed.

Cable to Manila.

The President invites attention to the necessity of a cable to Manila without repeating the observation of his special message February 10th 1899. The new treaty of commerce and navigation between this country and Japan has given rise to no material complaints on the part of the American citizens or interests.

The Samoan Question.

The recent trouble in Samoa is gone into exhaustively and negotiations which led to the retirement of Great Britain and the partition of the islands between this country and Germany are described. The recently signed treaty is transmitted to the Senate.

Concerning Cuba,

the President says: "The withdrawal of the authority of Spain from the island of Cuba was effected by the first of January, so that the full re establishment of peace found the relinquished territory held by us in trust for the inhabitants, maintaining, under the direction of the executive, such government and control therein as should conserve public order, restore the productive conditions of peace so long disturbed by the instability and disorder which prevailed for the greater part of the preceding three decades, and build up that tranquil development of the domestic state whereby alone can be realized the high purpose, as proclaimed in the joint resolution adopted by the Congress on the 19th of April, 1899, by which the United States disclaimed any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction, or control over Cuba, except for the pacification thereof, and asserted its determination when that was accomplished to leave the government and control of the island to its people. The pledge contained in this resolution is of the highest honorable obligation and must be sacredly kept.

"By the treaty of peace, the Spanish people on the island have until April 11th, 1900, to elect whether they will remain citizens of Spain or become citizens of Cuba. Until then it can not be definitely ascertained who shall be entitled to participate in the formation of the government of Cuba. By that time, the results of the census will have been tabulated and we shall proceed to provide for elections which will commit the municipal governments of the islands to the officers elected by the people. The experience thus acquired will prove of great value in the formation of a representative convention of the people to draft a constitution and establish a general system of independent government for the island. In the meantime and so long as we exercise control over the island the products of Cuba should have a market in the United States on as good terms and with as favorable rates of duty as are given to the West India islands under treaties of reciprocity which shall be made."

Our Soldiers and Sailors.

The President recommends that Congress provide a special medal of honor for the volunteers, regulars, sailors and marines on duty in the Philippines who voluntarily remained in the service after their terms of enlistment had expired.

"The force now in Manila consists of 905 officers and 30,578 regulars, and 594 officers and 15,388 of the volunteers, making an aggregate of 1,499 officers and 45,966 men.

When the troops now under orders shall reach Manila the force in the archipelago will comprise 2,051 officers and 63,483 men. The muster out of the great volunteer army organized for the Spanish war and the creation of a new army, the transportation from Manila to San Francisco of those entitled to discharge and the transportation of the new troops to take their places have been a work of great magnitude, well and ably done, for which too much credit cannot be given the War Department.

Troops in Cuba and Porto Rico.

"During the past year we have reduced our force in Cuba and Porto Rico. In Cuba we now have 334 officers and 10.786 enlisted men; in Porto Rico 87 officers and 2,858 enlisted men and a battalion of 400 men composed of native Porto Ricans; while stationed throughout the United States are 910 officers and 17,317 men, and in Hawaii 13 officers and 453 men enlisted men.

The Navy.

"It cannot be doubted that Congress will at once make necessary provision for the armor plate for the vessels now under contract, and building. Its attention is respectfully called to the report of the Secretary of the Navy, in which the subject is fully presented. I unite in his recommendation that the Congress enact such special legislation as may be necessary to enable the Department to make contracts early in the coming year for armor of the best quality that can be obtained in this country for the Maine, Ohio and Missouri, and that the provision of the act of March 3rd, 1899, limiting the price of armor to $300 per ton be removed.

In the matter of naval construction Italy and Japan alone, of the great powers, laid down less tonnage in the year 1899 than this country, and Italy alone has less tonnage under construction. I heartily concur in the recommendations for the increase of the Navy, as suggested by the Secretary.

The Philippine Islands.

A considerable portion of the message is devoted to the Philippine Islands. The President reviews the manner in which we acquired possession of these islands and says he had every reason to believe, and still believes, that this transfer of sovereignty was in accordance with the wishes and aspirations of the great mass of the Philippine people. From the earliest moment no opportunity was lost of assuring the people of the islands of our ardent desire for their welfare and of the intention of this government to do everything possible to advance their interests. The rebellion must be put down. Civil government cannot be thoroughly established until order is restored.

The Sulu Islands.

"The authorities of the Sulu islands have accepted the succession of the United States to the rights of Spain and our flag floats over that territory. On the tenth of August, 1899, Brigadier General J. C. Bates, United States volunteers, negotiated an agreement with the Sultan and his principal chiefs, which I transmit herewith.

"The United States flag will be used in the archipelago and its dependencies, on land and sea. Piracy is to be suppressed, and the Sultan agrees to co-operate heartily with the United States authorities to that end and to take every possible effort to arrest and bring to justice all persons engaged in piracy. All trade in domestic products of the archipelago of Jolo, when carried on with any part of the Philippine islands and under the American flag shall be free, unlimited and undutiable. The United States will give full protection to the Sultan in case any foreign nation should attempt to impose upon him. The United States will not sell the island of Jolo or any other island of the Jolo archipelago to any foreign nation without the consent of the Sultan. Salaries for the Sultan and his associates in the administration of the islands have been agreed upon to the amount of $760 monthly.

Existence of Slavery.

"Artile X. provides that any slave in the archipelago of Jolo shall have the right to purchase freedom by paying to the master the usual market value. The agreement by Gen. Bates was made subject to confirmation by the President and to future modification by the consent of the parties in interest. I have confirmed said agreement, subject to the action of the Congress, and with the reservation, which I have directed shall be communicated to the Sultan of Jolo, that this agreement is not to be deemed in anyway to authorize or give the consent of the United States to the existence of slavery in the Sulu archipelago. I communicate these facts to the Congress for its information and action.

The Future of the Islands.

The future government of the Philippines rests with the Congress of the United States. Few graver responsibilities have ever been confined to us. If we accept them in a spirit worthy of our race and our traditions, a great opportunity comes with them. The islands lie under the shelter of our flag. They are ours by every title of law and equity. They cannot be abandoned. If we desert them we leave them at once to anarchy and finally to barbarism. We fling them, a golden apple of discord, among the rival powers, no one of which could permit another to seize them unquestioned. Their rich plains and valleys would be the scene of endless strife and bloodshed.

Porto Rico Affairs.

For the government of Porto Rico the President recommends that Congress pass a law for the organization of a temporary government, which shall provide for appointment by the President, subject to confirmation by the Senate, of a governor and such other officers as the general administration of the island may require, and that for legislative purposes, upon subjects of a local nature not partaking of a federal character, a legislative council, composed partly of Porto Ricans and partly of citizens of the United States, shall be nominated and appointed by the President, subject to confirmation by the Senate, their acts to be subject to the approval of the Congress or the President prior to going into effect.

The Hawaiian Islands.

Concerning the Hawaiian islands the President says: "The people of these islands are entitled to the benefits and privileges of our constitution, but in the absence of any act of Congress providing for Federal courts in the islands, and for a procedure by which appeals, writs of error and other judicial proceedings necessary for the enforcement of civil rights may be prosecuted, they are powerless to secure their enforcement by the judgment of the courts of the United States. It is manifestly important, therefore, that an act shall be passed as speedily as possible erecting these islands into a judicial district, providing for the appointment of a judge and other proper officers and methods of procedure in appelate proceedings, and that the government of this newly acquired territory under the Federal constitution shall be fully defined and provided for."

Condemns Lynchings.

"The love of law and the sense of obedience and submission to the lawfully constituted judicial tribunals are embedded in the hearts of our people, and any violation of these sentiments and disregard of their obligations justly arouses public condemnation.

"What is said in my inangural address of March 4th, 1897, I now repeat: The constituted authorities must be cheerfully and vigorously upheld. Lynchings must not be tolerated in a great and civilized country like the United States. Courts, not mobs, must execute the penalties of the laws. The preservation of public order, the right of discussion, the integrity of courts, and the orderly administration of justice must continue forever the rock of safety upon which our government securely rests.

In conclusion the President says: "Never has this nation had more abundant cause than during the past year for thankfulness to God for manifold blessings and mercies, for which we make reverent acknowledgement."

—— The Hon. Joseph Chamberlain never fails to talk straight from the shoulder, without reference to the "feelings" of other nations. The Hon. Joseph, however, is sometimes shockingly indiscreet.— *Baltimore Herald, Ind.*

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters;' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 5.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 48½ cents per gallon for machine made casks and 48 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.05 per bbl for strained and $1.10 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.50 per barrel for hard, $2.80 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 36¼@36¼c; rosin firm at 97½c@$1.03¼; tar firm at $1.20; crude turpentine quiet at $1.30@$2 00, $2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	105
Rosin	971
Tar	419
Crude turpentine	41

Receipts same day last year.—10 8 casks spirits turpentine, 404 bbls rosin, 306 bbls tar, 6 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 7¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 13-16 cts.
Good ordinary	6 3 16 " "
Low middling	6 13 16 " "
Middling	7¼ " "
Good middling	7½ " "

Same day last year middling 5c.

Receipts—1,032 bales; same day last year, 2,859.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, $1.05. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c.

CORN—Firm; 52 to 52½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 90c@$1.10; upland 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $2.25 to $3.25; six inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to $9.00 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5.—Money on call firm at 6@8 per cent., last offered at 6 per cent.; ruling rate was — per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange strong, with actual business in bankers' bills 486¼@487 for demand and 481½@481¾ for sixty days. Posted rates were 482½ and 487¼. Commercial bills 480½@481. Silver certificates 58¾@59½. Bar silver 59. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds irregular. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds weak. U. S. 2's, reg'd, 102; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¾; do. coupon, 109¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 133¼; do. coupon, 133¼; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 112½; do. coupon, 113¾; U. S. 5's, registered, 111½; do. coupon, 111½; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 109; Southern Railway 5's 108¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 55½; Chesapeake & Ohio 29¾; Manhattan L 104½; N. Y. Central 133¼; Reading 20; do. 1st preferred 58; St. Paul 123; do. preferred 172¼; Southern Railway 12½; do. preferred 57; American Tobacco, 115; do. preferred 143; People's Gas 111; Sugar 151½; do. preferred 118¼; T. C. & Iron 112¾; U. S. Leather 11¾; do. preferred 78½; Western Union 87¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine steadier at 51½@52c.

turpentine firm at 47¼c; sales 30 casks; no receipts. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. C, D, E, $1 05.

SAVANNAH, December 5.—Spirits turpentine firm at 48¼c; sales 487 casks; receipts 1,509 casks; exports 126 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,235 barrels; receipts 6,551 barrels; exports 1,458 barrels. Prices unchanged.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 7¾c.

Futures closed steady: December 7.35, January 7.42, February 7.44, March 7.47, April 7.48, May 7.50, June 7.50, July 7.51, August 7.47, September 7.10, October 6.95.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 7¾c; middling gulf 8c; sales 480 bales.

Net receipts 1,135 bales; gross receipts 5,092 bales; exports to Great Britain 20 bales; stock 108,920 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 33,898 bales; exports to Great Britain 5,420 bales; exports to France 5,925 bales; exports to the Continent 4,350 bales; stock 1,021,896 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 133,150 bales; exports to Great Britain 18,938 bales; exports to France 21,635 bales; exports to the Continent 12,429 bales. Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 3,150,397 bales; exports to Great Britain 812,918 bales; exports to France 366,078 bales; exports to the Continent 856,205 bales.

December 5.—Galveston, steady at 7 7-16c, net receipts 5,609 bales; Norfolk, easy at 7½c, net receipts 2,209 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7¾c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 1,671 bales; Wilmington, steady at 7¼c, net receipts 1,032 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8c, net receipts 859 bales; Savannah, quiet at 7 5-16c, net receipts 7,313 bales; New Orleans, easy at 7 7 16c, net receipts 11,253 bales; Mobile, nominal at 7½, net receipts 2,454 bales; Memphis, quiet and steady at 7 7 16, net receipts 4,553 bales; Augusta, steady at 7 7 16c, net receipts 1,556 bales; Charleston, firm at 7¼c, net receipts 361 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5.—Flour was fairly active and very steady on the basis of yesterday's prices, which jobbers met rather freely. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 73¾c; options opened steady and unchanged, developing into positive strength and activity on the bullish Ohio State report and small interior receipts, together with steady cables, absence of liquidation and general covering. Closed firm at ¾@1c net advance; sales were: No. 2 red March closed 75¼c; May closed 74½c; July closed 74¼c; December 72c. Corn—Spot strong; No. 2 40¾c; options opened steady and unchanged. Later advanced sharply on prospective light receipts, covering and absence of December liquidation, market closing strong at ¼@¾c advance. May closed 38¾c; December closed 33¾c. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2 29¾c; options quiet but firmer. Lard firmer; Western steam closed $5 60; December closed at $5 60, nominal; refined firmer; Continent $5 85. Butter firm: Western creamery 23@27c; State dairy 18@25c. Cheese strong; small spot 12¼@13c. Rice steadier. Petroleum firm. Pork strong. Potatoes strong; New Jersey $1 00@1 37½; New York $1 00@1 40; Long Island $1 25@1 75; Southern sweets $1 75@2 25; Jersey sweets $2 25@2 75 Cabbage quoted quiet. Molasses steady. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 29d. Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 7c; No. 7 jobbing 7¼c; mild steady; Cordova 6¾@11¾c. Sugar—Raw steady; refined steady.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Cash quotations: Flour easy. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No. 3 spring 62½@63½c; No. 2 red 66½@67½c. Corn—No. 2, 30½c. Oats—No. 2 22¾@23c; No. 2 white 25½; No. 3 white 24½@25¼c. Pork, per bbl, $8 10@9 75. Lard, per 100 lbs, $4 90@5 25. Short rib sides loose, $4 95@5 25. Dry salted shoulders, $5 37½@5 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $5 25@5 35. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 23½.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 64⅝, 65½ 64½@64⅝, 65¾@65½c; May 69@69½, 69¾, 68¾@69, 69¾@68¾. Corn—No. 2 December 29¾, 30½, 29¾, 30@30½c; January 30¼, 30¾@30¾, 30, 30¾@30½c; May 32¼@32¼, 32¾, 32½, 32¾@32½c. Oats—December 22¼, 22¾@22½, 22¼@22¾, 22¾@22½c; May 23¾, 24@24¼, 23¾, 23¾, 24@24½c. Pork, per bbl—December $8 50, 8 50, 8 50, 8 50; January $9 55, 9 65, 9 55, 9 65; May $9 72½, 9 85, 9 70, 9 85. Lard, per 100 lbs—December $5 05, 5 05, 5 05, 5 05; January $5 25, 5 30, 5 22½, 5 30; May $5 42½, 5 50, 5 42½, 5 50. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—December $5 05, 5 07½, 5 05, 5 05; January $5 07½, 5 15, 5 07½, 5 15; May $5 22½, 5 30, 5 22½, 5 30.

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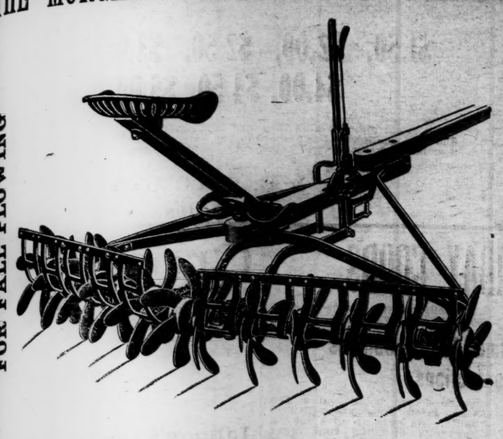

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— "Who gives the bride away?" asked the parson. "Nobody," remarked the envious one, sotto voce, from a rear pew. "She simply threw herself at the man."

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— Husband—"What's this? Another $25 milliner's bill? I thought we had decided to be more economical." Wife—"Well, didn't I spend two days looking for your new winter suit, and didn't I finally get one for $5.98 that they wanted $7 for!"

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APPOINTMENTS

For Visitation by the Bishop of East Carolina.

December 10th, Sunday, second in Advent, M. P., St. Peter's, Gates county.

December 10th, Sunday, second in Advent, E. P., St. Mary's, Gatesville.

December 11th, Monday, Com., St. Mary's, Gatesville.

December 13th, Wednesday, St. Barnabas', Murfreesboro.

December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, M. P., St. Mark's, Roxobel.

December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, E. P., Grace Church, Woodville.

December 21st, Thursday Fest, St. Thomas, St. Thomas', Windsor.

December 24th, Sunday, fourth in Advent, M. P., Advent, Williamston.

December 25th, Christmas, Grace, Plymouth.

December 31st, Sunday after Christmas, St. Thomas', Atkinson.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fayetteville *Observer:* Miss Eliza Ursery died Sunday evening at the residence of her brother, Mr. Henry Ursery, on Harrington Hill, in the 68th year of her age.

— Raleigh *News and Observer:* Dr. Cooper Curtice returned Monday from Bertie where he investigated an outbreak of splenic fever. He found one herd of 175 ten miles west of Windsor, near the Roanoke river, infected. Twenty five of the herd have already died and a number of the herd have already died and a number of others are sick.

— Salisbury *Sun:* A sad and fatal accident occurred at Spencer shops on last Saturday afternoon, causing the death of Mr. John Jordan, a carpenter. While working under a car an other car was "kicked" in on the same track by a shifting engine, causing the car under which Mr. Jordan was working to move. The unfortunate man, realizing his danger, made a spring to get from under the car, but, was unable to do so. He was caught under the wheels, and death ensued before he was able to utter a cry of distress. His neck was dislocated and death came instantly.

DANGER IN BIRDCAGES.

Swiss Doctor Says That Canaries and Parrots Give Disease.

Almost every week the medical papers add another item to their list of deadly dangers. The latest is conveyed in a remarkable communication on the subject of infection of song birds in The Lancet, contributed by Dr. A. Tucker Wise of Montreux, Switzerland. He says:

"While engaged on an inquiry into the sources of bacillary infection in cases which have recently come under my notice I have been struck by the number of patients who have lived in contact with diseased canaries and other feathered pets.

"Among cage birds, pigeons and poultry tuberculosis is a common disease, and there is a strong probability that avian infection can be conveyed to human beings who keep birds within the house. The objectionable practice of allowing them to place their beaks in contact with the lips is a risky and dangerous proceeding as regards liability to receive bacilli in this way if the bird is not healthy.

"Feeding and nursing sick birds and blowing the dust and husks from their seed and cleaning the cage are not without danger. In my opinion the canary or any other bird kept in the kitchen is a positive peril to the household, as by flutterings and whisking the dust from its cage or mucus from its beak the food of a whole family can be contaminated.

"Parrots can also be attacked by tubercle, which is characterized frequently by new growths of horny skin, which sometimes attain a considerable size. They can easily be broken off, and they contain numerous tubercle bacilli in their basal granulation tissue.

"Psittacosis, an infectious disease of parrots, has already been observed to cause a serious and fatal pneumonia of a special type transmitted by these birds to man. In 1892 about 50 persons in Paris were attacked. Since that time other milder epidemics have been noticed and studied by Gilbert, Fournier and Debove."

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South Bound Daily No. 52	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
3 40 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 26 p m
3 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 18 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 32 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 18 p m
9 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 55.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Ar.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m
No. 46		No. 47.

South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 26 a m
3 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11 38 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5 55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.05 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8 20 P. M., Warsaw 8.53 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7 01 A. M., Baltimore 3.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.05 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.20 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. — Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12 19 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.05 P. M., New York †2.20 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 10.40 A. M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.45 P. M., Washington 3.05 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.35 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.05 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. — Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9 58 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4 40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M. Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 5.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.40 A. M.; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 8.45 A. M., 5.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 5.55 P. M., Nashville 11 32 A. M.; 6.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.03 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 2.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.30 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.15 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.24 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M. Cheraw 11.30 A. M. Wadesboro 12.32 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.00 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.20 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9 15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.25 P. M. arrive Selma 3.45 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 5.02 P. M Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 1.21 5A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M., Fayetteville 12.30 P. M., 9.45 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.48 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.52 P. M., arrive Wilson 3.35 P. M. 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave sumter 4.35 A. M., Creston 5.10 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P M Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Time Table No. 9.

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899. at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST. 2 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 35	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M. and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North, at 3.25 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 6.

KENTUCKY ELECTION CASE.

State Canvassing Board Will Hear Argument To-day—The Matter Will Go to the Legislature to Decide.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., December 5—The State Board of Election Commissioners, sitting as a canvassing board, finished its work at 4 o'clock this afternoon and to morrow at 11 o'clock the members will sit in the State Senate Chamber as a contesting board to hear arguments in the case of eleven contested counties. The first great fight will come up on the question of whether or not the board has the right to go behind the certified returns, filed with the Secretary of State by the different counties. Upon the issue of the argument on this point will rest the name of the ext Governor of Kentucky. On the face of the returns now on file with the Secretary of State, Mr. Taylor has a plurality of 2,383, his total vote being 193,914 against 191,331 for Goebel. If there is to be no "going behind" the returns, the board will have no option but to issue the certificate of election to Taylor. If the board decides that it has the power to go behind the returns, there is no telling who will receive the certificate. It will depend entirely upon the results of the contest, to be decided before the board and the matter will without doubt be carried for final settlement to the State Legislature which meets next month.

The morning proceedings were enlivened by Gov. Bradley, who made an address to the board regarding the statement that he had brought soldiers into Frankfort. Before the meeting began the election commissioners sent a letter to Gov. Bradley, inquiring as to the truth of the report. Gov. Bradley wrote a reply which he carried personally into the board room and handed it to Judge Pryor, chairman of the board. It denounced as a "malicious lie" any statement that any troops had been brought to the city without his consent or approval. He admitted that several officers were on hand, but said they were here individually and not in uniform. He declared it to be his intention to see that no officer was intimidated in the discharge of his sworn duty.

After leaving the commissioners' room Governor Bradley stopped in front of a large crowd of spectators, who filled the outer office of the secretary of state. "Now boys," he said, "you know they are talking about intimidation, and I don't really think it is wise for you to remain here. Of course we all know you wouldn't intimidate anybody; but it is just as well that there should be no arrest."

In obedience to the suggestion the crowd, which comprised as many Democrats as Republicans, quietly left the office.

TO DEFRAUD GOVERNMENT.

Grand Jury Investigating Charges Against Parties Charged With Complicity With O. M. Carter.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

SAVANNAH, GA., December 5.—The grand jury of the U. S. District Court, Judge Speer, spent most of the day investigating the charges that have been brought against John F Gaynor and B. D. Green, of New York, as co partners in the Atlantic Constructing Company, for alleged complicity with O. M. Carter, late captain of engineers, United States army, in defrauding the government of certain large sums of money. It is believed now that the investigation will extend through the week and that a report will not be made before Friday or Saturday. Among those who have been examined are Edward I. Johnson, of Washington, a special representative of the department of justice; Charles F. Graham, proprietor of the Pulaski House; James L Gallagher, formerly an inspector under Captain Carter, and Ed Gaynor, a brother of one of the parties to the case. Among the members of the engineer corps here to testify are Major John Truesdale, Major Frederick E. Abbott and Major W. M. Black.

Mr. Abram J. Rose, of New York, of counsel for Captain Carter, is here watching the progress of the case. A number of witnesses are yet to be examined.

PHILIPPINES CAMPAIGN.

Gen. Hughes Extending His Lines in Panay. No Organized Resistance.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, December 5—Gen. Hughes now occupies Santa Barbara and Cabutuan, Island of Panay, his lines extending thirty five miles north of Iloilo. He has occupied twenty towns. The inhabitants are returning. with white flags, their fear of the Americans diminishing as they see that they will be well treated.

It is impossible to get the insurgents to fight. They are retreating to the mountains and no more organized resistance is expected. The artillery wagon mules are being used for packing. Water buffaloes are also being used for this purpose. Gen. Hughes continues advancing north and spreading his lines.

Filipinos Attack Americans.

Last night a force of insurgents, estimated at 800 attacked the American garrison of 200 at Vigan, provence of South Ilocos. The Americans lost eight killed and many wounded. After very hard fighting the Filipinos were driven off and through the mountains, leaving 35 dead. Colonel Bisbee is now reinforcing the garrison. Fears are entertained regarding various small bodies of General Young's troops in the province of Abra.

The movement to advance wages in cotton mill centers has become general throughout the New England States. Thus far nearly $100,000 operatives have been notified of a 10 per cent. advance, and the outlook indicates that most of the mills which have not made any announcement will soon do so.

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Seneca, (Ills.,) News, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the surest Pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency offers for sale the timber on a tract of land on North East River. It includes over one million feet of fine Cypress timber. See advertisement. †

HOUSE DECIDES AGAINST ROBERTS

Adopted Tayler's Resolution for a Special Committee to Investigate Charges.

AN INTERESTING DEBATE.

The Mormon Representative-Elect Denied a Seat in the Hall—Minority Resolution to Seat the Applicant Was Overwhelmingly Defeated.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—To day's session of the Senate lasted two hours and forty minutes, practically the entire time being consumed in the reading of the President's message.

The reading of the document was largely perfunctory, few of the Senators according any attention. Some of them retired to their committee rooms to peruse the message at leisure, while a few followed the reading by the clerks.

Senator Turley (Tennessee), presented his colleague, Mr. Bate, at the desk of the President, and President Frye administered to Mr. Bate the oath of office.

The announcement of the death of Senator elect Monroe L. Hayward, of Nebraska, was received by the Senate with sincere regret. Although he was not officially a member of the body, he was well known to many of the Senators, and by them was held in high regard.

At the conclusion of the reading of the message, the Senate adopted resolutions of regret presented by Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, and, as a mark of respect, adjourned immediately,

House of Representatives.

After the reading of the message the Speaker laid before the House the Tayler resolution, to refer the Roberts case.

Mr. Tayler immediately took the floor. It was arranged that there should be three hours debate, one-half on each side, one half hour to be allowed Mr. Roberts and to come out of the time of the minority. This arrangement having been made Mr. Richardson, the Democratic leader, gave notice of a substitute he should offer, as follows:

"WHEREAS, Brigham H. Roberts, from the State of Utah, has presented a certificate of election in due and proper form as a representative from the said State; therefore, be it

"*Resolved*, That without expressing any opinion as to the right or propriety of his retaining his seat in advance of any proper investigation thereof, the said Brigham H Roberts is entitled to be sworn in as a member of this House upon his *prima facie* case.

"*Resolved*, That when sworn in, his credentials and all papers in relation to his right to retain his seat be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report thereon at the earliest possible moment."

Mr Tayler contended first that Mr. Roberts' conviction of violations of the Edmunds law in 1889 rendered him ineligible by the eighth section of that act; second, that if since guilty of polygamy he is still ineligible under that act. Third, that if a polygamist within the meaning of the decision of the Supreme Court, he is ineligible independent of that statute. Fourth, that the compact between Utah and the United States justifies the House in refusing him admission. Mr. Tayler urged that it would be better for the House to exclude Mr. Roberts than to expel him. All the authorities, he said, were against the right of the House to expel a member for acts done prior to his election, no matter how vile they might be.

When Mr. Tayler began to speak Mr. Roberts left the seat he had been occupying and took a seat near the main aisle where he could hear with greater ease. Throughout Mr. Tayler's remarks he sat facing the accuser, except when he turned to his desk to take notes of the points to which he desired to reply.

Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, followed Mr. Tayler. He did not intend, he said, to discuss the merits of the case. The question in issue was as to whether Representative-elect Roberts had a prima facie right to his seat. He was not willing to reject a representative-elect who appeared at the bar of the House with his credentials in due form. If he was denied admission a precedent would be created which would rise to plague the House in years to come. He was willing to say that if the charges against the member elect were proven he should favor his expulsion. "If there is one thing that the American people are a unit upon," said he, "it is that the American home shall be preserved in all its loveliness, sweetness and purity." (Applause.)

Roberts Took the Floor.

Mr. Roberts himself took the floor in his own defence after Mr. Richardson had concluded. He occupied a conspicuous place immediately in front of the clerk's desk. Several legal volumes were piled up in front of him, and a bouquet of carnations was piled up on his desk. The most intense interest was manifest as he arose. Members crowded about but were compelled to retire to their seats. The galleries were hushed. The occupants leaned over to listen, eager to let no word escape. Mr. Roberts first sent to the clerk's desk and had read his naturalization papers. He then began to speak. His voice was soft and low, but his enunciation was distinct and in the stillness could be heard to the furthest corner of the hall.

Mr. Roberts proceeded to answer the charges against him. He said two Presidents had proclaimed amnesty since his conviction for a misdemeanor. He denied that he had been a lawbreaker since 1889, and asked why he had not been prosecuted if a lawbreaker. He referred to the present agitation as a "conspiracy" to force this subject to the front at this time.

Mr. Roberts dramatically invoked protection for the report of a sovereign State. He asked no privilege, no favor, he exclaimed, but he demanded his rights. This was given with such emphasis and feeling that vigorous and long continued applause greeted the speaker.

When Mr. Roberts' time expired Newlands (Nevada) asked that the time be extended, but Tayler, (Ohio) objected. Richardson then yielded to Roberts the balance of the Democratic time—ten minutes, Roberts asserted that presidential appointments had been made without consideration of charges of polygamy.

Mr. Hopkins, of Illinois, challenged Roberts' statement as to Presidential appointments. Roberts declared that appointments had been made notwithstanding charges similar to those against him. Mr. Tayler drew applause by granting Roberts more time.

Mr. Roberts read a letter from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Utah, stating that the present administration had appointed postmasters charged with unlawful cohabitation. Mr. Roberts closed with a dramatic statement that Utah had not broken faith, that polygamy was no longer an issue, and that he had the honor in the constitutional convention of settling that issue forever.

Mr. Grosvenor declared Roberts guilty of miserable subterfuge in asserting that the President had ignored charges of polygamy in making Utah appointments. Mr. Grosvenor exclaimed that the slanders against the President were false.

Mr. Tayler concluded the debate. Mr. Roberts, he said, had exhibited a large incapacity to understand his (Tayler's) position, his (Robert's) position or the spirit of the American people—a righteous expression of their sentiment justly founded, however much misdirected. He did not say Mr. Roberts was guilty. But he indicted him upon his own responsibility.

The vote was then taken, first on the substitute, which was defeated—59 to 247.

The vote then recurred upon the adoption of Mr. Tayler's resolution, the roll being called upon the demand of the Republicans.

The resolution was adopted, 302 to 32. Those who voted in the negative were as follows: Adams, Allen, (Mississippi) Bailey, Ball, Brewer, Burleson, Carmack, Cooper, Davey, DeGraffenreid, Dinsmore, Fitzpatrick, Fleming, Kitchen, Lester, Lewis, McClellan, McCulloch, Maddox, Norton, (South Carolina), Rhea, Richardson, Robbins, Slayden, Small, Snodgrass, Stephens, Turner, Democrats; Newlands of Nevada, Silverite; Loud, of California, Republican.

The Speaker then appointed the following members as the special committee under the resolution: Republicans—Taylor, Ohio, chairman; Landis, Indiana; Morris, Minnesota; Freer, West Virginia; Littlefield, Maine; McPherson, Iowa. Democrats—De Armond, Missouri; Lanham, Texas, and Miers, of Indiana.

The death of the late Tepresentative Settle, of Kentucky, was then announced and at 6:25 as a further mark of respect, the House adjourned until Tuesday.

After an interesting debate of three hours the House to-day, by a vote of 302 to 30, adopted the resolution offered by Mr. Tayler, of Ohio, yesterday for the appointment of a special committee to investigate the charges against Brigham H. Roberts, the Mormon Representative elect from Utah. By the terms of the resolution Mr. Roberts is now not only excluded from all participation in the proceedings of the House until the committee reports and the House passes upon his case, but he is denied a seat in the hall. Whether this will be interpreted to deny his admission within the chamber pending the disposition of his case is yet to be decided. The reading of the President's message was completely overshadowed by the dramatic proceedings which resulted in the action of the House to day.

The galleries were thronged with spectators, mostly women, who sat patiently through the three weary hours that preceded the debate, and then waited three hours more until it was concluded. The most remarkable feature of the debate was the fact that Mr. Roberts' presentation of his own side of the case, which lasted almost an hour, became so absorbing that he won the sympathy of many of those in the galleries and was several times showered with applause. It was evident that he realized that the House was overwhelmingly against him, and at times he spoke fiercely and defiantly.

TWO MEN FATALLY SHOT.

Desperate Fight Between Dispensary Constables and Illicit Distillers Near Greenville, South Carolina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 5.—There was a desperate fight in the suburbs of Greenville this afternoon, in which Dispensary Constables Cooley and Cornwell were engaged in a hand-to-hand combat with George Howard and an unknown party who was running a blockade whiskey wagon. The constables seized kegs of whiskey in the wagon, and attempted to arrest Howard who protested he had nothing to do with it. It is not known who precipitated the encounter, but Howard, who is a cripple and a typical mountaineer, was shot five times and is in a dying condition from a severe wound in the left side. Cornwell, who was married just two months ago, is dying from a wound in the abdomen. Cooley was shot in the thigh and is not dangerously hurt. The unknown man escaped Howard is a relative of "Little Bill" Howard, who under sentence of death escaped from jail in his wife's clothes.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION.

New York Will Make a Strong Effort to Have It Meet in That City.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, December 5.—The *Tribune* to-morrow will say:

According to J. G. Johnson, of the Democratic Executive Committee, New York wants the Democratic National Convention and will make a strong effort to secure it. His information shows, too, that there is considerable sentiment among party leaders throughout the country in favor of going to that city. They are impressed with the claims of Eastern Democrats that it would be a great move. It is said that only a few of the Westerners who will be elected delegates have ever seen New York, and for that reason they would like to go there. Furthermore, it is stated that Tammany Hall not only will pay the expenses, but contribute a much larger amount to the campaign fund than Milwaukee, Kansas City, or any other Western town can afford to give.

ADVANCE IN COAL RATES.

Georgia Railroad Commission Appeals to the Southern Freight Association.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, December 5.—The State Railroad Commission to day addressed to several railroads and the Southeastern Freight Association a letter touching the proposed advance of ten per cent. in coal rates.

The letter makes no threat of action by the board if the rates are increased, but appeals to the managers concerned and points out why it would be unfortunate for an increase to be made at this time.

It is shown that the advance in rates will probably injure new manufacturing enterprises which are rapidly developing in the State and that any injury to them would rebound on the roads.

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THE BATTLE OF MODDER RIVER.

Boers' Fire Was the Hottest On Record and Effective at Long Range.

BOERS REPORT SLIGHT LOSS.

Strict Censorship Continues—No News Allowed to Pass Except Diaries of Events—Boers' Improper Use of Red Cross Badges.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 6, 4.30 P. M—The censorship continues to be of the strictest character. Virtually no news is allowed to pass except diaries of events within the beleaguered garrisons and positions.

According to the latest accounts of the battle of Modder river, the Boer fire was the hottest on record and will revolutionize existing theories. It was effective up to 1,600 yards, but the casualties among the prope troops was trifling. It was found impossible to bring the British ammunition reserves to the firing line. Many Boers wearing Red Cross badges were actually employed in serving out ammunition.

In connection with the many accusations against the Boer indifference to the laws of war, a letter published in Cape Town asserts that before the Transvaal ultimatum was sent the Boer leaders discussed the policy of using the white flag when driven into a corner in order to deceive the British commanders, and this policy was generally approved.

It is reported that the mobilization of a seventh division will be ordered at Aldershot, as a preparation for emergencies.

All Well at Mafeking.

The *Daily Mail* has a dispatch from Mafeking dated Tuesday, November 28th, which says "All well."

CAPE TOWN, December 5—The French third class cruiser Nielly has arrived at Delagoa Bay.

The Battle at Modder River

LONDON, Dec. 5—The War Office to-day received the following dispatch from General Forestier Walker, under date of December 5th.

"General Metheun reported that at Modder river he found twenty three bodies and that since twenty-seven bodies have since floated to the surface of the river. The people say that some bodies were buried and that others were taken on mules to Jacobsdal, where the Enslin wounded were also taken. Commandant Albrecht's wagon perfectly fitted up as a pharmacy and surgery was captured. The enemy's loss was more than ours and their morale has been much shaken."

The following is a Boer version of the battle of Modder river:

"*Pretoria, November 29*—Dolarey's official report states that a large force of British attacked his commando at Modder river. Heavy fighting lasted for hours. Cronje and Dolarey took up strong positions, the Free Staters being reinforced. Dolarey had seventeen killed and wounded, including his eldest son. The Free Staters losses are unknown. At dark the Boers retired slowly to their positions, having prevented the British from forcing their way to Kimberley."

The *Standard and Diggers News* says that Wednesday last Cecil Rhodes' dispatches, intercepted near Kimberley, said the Debeers mines were filling with water and that Mr. Rhodes estimated the damage at $50,000 per day.

TRIAL OF ROLAND B. MOLINEUX.

New and Important Testimony Introduced by the Prosecution in the Case.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5—The surprise of the day in the trial of Roland B. Molineux for the murder of Katherine J. Adams was the sudden introduction by the prosecution of direct testimony that Molineux harbored bitter enmity toward Harry Cornish and A. A. Harpster, a former employe of the Knickerbocker Athletic Club, and a friend of Cornish. To further that Molineux sought a round about way by having an agent write to Harpster's former employe over a false signature to obtain information reflecting on Harpster's character, that he might use the information to Harpster's injury.

This new testimony, which was extracted from an unwilling friend of Molineux, is important not only as showing a motive for Molineux seeking the death of Cornish, but as confirming the theory of the prosecution that Molineux wrote or caused to be written several letters falsely signed, asking for drugs and medicines.

AGAINST BUCKET SHOPS.

Concerted Movement to be Made by the Commercial Exchanges.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—The Board of Trade of Chicago has taken the first steps in which is intended to be a concerted movement of commercial exchanges all over the country against the bucket shop system. Resolutions adopted by the board of directors, calling upon the exchanges to combine against the encroachments of this form of speculation have been circulated by Secretary Stone, of the Board of Trade, and a number of replies have already been received, all of which indicate a feeling in favor of such a movement. The chief purpose is to secure the aid of the New York Stock Exchange and the Cotton Exchange, which, in conjunction with the Chicago Board of Trade, form the basis of nearly all the bucket shop operations in the country.

PHYSICIAN INDICTED

Dr. Taliaferro Charged With Trying to Kill Dr. Waring at Savannah, Ga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., December 5.—Dr. V. H. Taliaferro was indicted by the grand jury of the Superior Court last night on a charge of assault with intent to murder Dr. V. P. Waring by shooting at him with a pistol at the Savannah hospital. The trouble between the two physicians which culminated in the shooting created quite a sensation at the time. The trouble started over the refusal of the Telfair hospital authorities, an institution of which Dr. Waring is superintendent, to admit one of Dr. Taliaferro's patients. Dr. Taliaferro, who is a specialist with an extensive practice here, and is well connected in Atlanta, is out on bail.

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THE GOLD STANDARD.

Caucus of Republican Members of the House to Consider Plans for Advancing the Financial Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—A caucus of Republican members of the House of Representatives was held to night to consider plans for advancing the House financial bill. About 160 members, including Speaker Henderson and all of the prominent leaders on the Republican side, were present.

Mr. Overstreet, of Indiana, who presented the bill, explained it, section by section. As he proceeded many questions were asked, but they were not in a captious spirit and indicated a desire to reach a clear understanding. One of the inquiries was as to the effect of a continued depreciation of silver, to which Mr. Overstreet answered that further depreciation would be impossible under the terms of the bill, as silver could be taken to the treasury and exchanged for gold, thus maintaining the parity of the metals. As to the establishment of a gold standar , it was stated that while it might not lead to the actual coinage of gold dollars, yet it would preserve a stable standard, just as some States keep an official yard stick as a standard. Mr. Overstreet continued his explanations until 11 o'clock when in response to a general sentiment the caucus adjourned until 1 P. M. to morrow.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Supreme Court Holds It Liable to Fine of $1,000 for Issuing a Free Pass.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 5.—An opinion was handed down by the North Carolina Supreme Court to day, holding the Southern Railway liable to the law imposing a fine of $1,000 for issuing a free pass in this State. The case was sent up on approval from Burke county, the Southern Railway being there indicted for giving a free pass to T. N. Hallyburton, while he was door-keeper of the House of the North Carolina Legislature in 1897. The Southern Railway has once before had to pay a similar fine for this offence.

WARM WIRELETS.

The U. S. cruiser Chicago left Lucia yesterday, bound for Bahia.

United States Senator Hayward died at 6 20 A. M., yesterday, at Nebraska City, Neb.

Fire at Meridian, Miss., last night spread so rapidly that it has got beyond control. The loss at 8 30 o'clock was estimated to be $250,000.

The cabinet meeting yesterday was largely devoted to a discussion of the financial conditions in Porto Rico. The subject will be referred to Congress for future action.

Among the bills introduced in the House yesterday was one by Mr. Elliott, of South Carolina, for an investigation of the cause of yellow fever.

The Comptroller of the Currency has issued a call on National banks for statement of their condition at the close of business, Saturday, December 2nd.

Governor McSweeney, of South Carolina, has offered a reward of $300 for the arrest and conviction of the Branchville express robbers. The Southern Express Company has already offered $500.

Bobby Dobbs, formerly of Minneapolis, lasted only a few minutes more than five rounds in his bout with Joe Wolcott last night before the Broadway Athletic Club. Dobbs and Wolcott are negroes.

The Southern Railway announces that it will run its first train into Savannah Friday. The train will be a special, made up of five private cars, and will be one of the finest trains that has ever reached Savannah.

The St. Augustine (Fla.) ice works were completely destroyed by fire at an early hour yesterday morning. The property, which was owned by J. W. Simmons, was valued at $45,000, with an insurance of only $6,000. The origin of the blaze is a mystery.

Chili is on the eve of a financial crisis, and possibly a revolution, which has only been postponed and not averted, by the government's reduction of the issue of forced paper currency from $50,000,000 to $20,000,000.

The American schooner, Robert Ruff, bound from Mobile with a cargo of coal, struck a reef near Vera Cruz on the Mexico coast last week and was wrecked. Her captain was drowned. Nothing has been learned as to the fate of the rest of the crew.

Speaker Henderson has not yet definitely determined when the comitees of the House will be announced, whether before or after the holidays, but the expectation is that it will be just before the adjournment for Christmas.

Private advices received at Constantinople report that the Kurds have avenged the recent incursion of Russian Armenians into the Alashgerd district, in Turkish Armenia, by pillaging the Armenian village of Kostur and massacreing 300 of its inhabitants.

Passengers from the west coast of South America report an ominous outlook in connection with the spread of the bubonic plague. There seems little doubt that the epidemic is slowly but steadily working eastward in South America.

Representative Corliss, of Michigan, has introduced a bill for a Pacific cable to be built by the government to Hawaii, the Philippines, Japan and China, at a limit cost of $8,000,000, of which $500,000 is to be immediately available.

A pool containing the estimates of fifty three members of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange on the cotton crop of 1899-1900, ranged from a minimum of 7,955,000 bales to a maximum of 10,400,000, giving an average of 9,299,430 bales.

Mrs. Sol. Van Praag, wife of a well-known Chicago politician, was yesterday found guilty of larceny in stealing, with the aid of other women, $1,450 from Wm. C. Duncan, of Portland Ore. The theft is alleged to have been committed in a room on State street.

W. F. Carter, ex-postmaster at Maldrim, Ga., was sent to jail in default of bond under the charge of misappropriating the funds of the national government. Carter is short in his accounts with the Postoffice Department. He was a member of the People's party State executive committee in the last election.

Contracts have been made for exhuming the remains of the dead of the battleship Maine, buried in Colon Cemetery, Havana. The battleship Texas will be used for the transportation of these remains, and is now on her way from Brunswick, Ga., to Hampton Roads, where she will coal and provision and then start for Havana.

Read the advertisement of the East Carolina Real Estate Agency in this issue of the STAR. It offers for sale some very valuable farms. †

U. S. TROOPS IN CUBA.

Formal Orders Issued for a Reduction of the Force.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Formal orders were issued from the War Department to-day to give effect to the recently announced decision of Secretary Root to reduce the force of United States troops in Cuba. The headquarters and eight companies of the Fifth infantry now in Santiago and Puerto Principe, Province of Cuba, are ordered to Plattsburg barracks, and Governor's Island, New York. One squadron of Eighth cavalry, also stationed at Puerto Principe, is ordered to Fort Riley, Kansas.

PALACE CAR COMPANIES.

Consolidation of the Pullman and the Wagner Into One Concern.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, December 5.—The consolidation of the Pullman Palace Car Company and its rival, the Wagner Palace Car Company, into one concern was ratified this afternoon at a special meeting of the stockholders of the Pullman Company. The stockholders voted to increase the capital stock of the Pullman Company from $45,000,000 to $74,000,000, the increase to be for the purpose of purchasing the property of the Wagner Car Company. It was also voted to change the name of the company from the Pullman Palace Car Company to the Pullman Company.

TENNESSEE TRAGEDY.

James Mowry Killed His Wife and Then Committed Suicide.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Dec. 5.—A special to the *Times* from Cleveland, Tenn., states that James Mowry, Jr., a farmer, 22 years old, residing in the mountain section of Bradley county, to-day, while in a rage over some trivial matter, knocked his wife in the head with a mallet and then cut her throat with a razor. A short time afterwards, realizing what he had done, he cut his own throat with the same razor. Both are of prominent families in the section in which they lived.

Admiral Dewey has rented a pew in the fashionable Saint John's Episcopal Church, of which Rev. Mackay Smith is pastor. He has also been chosen a trustee of the Episcopal cathedral on the Tennally Town road.

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